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RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 11, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated February 11, 2003 ("Office Action") issued in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application and are under examination. Claims 1-7 have been rejected. Applicants respectfully request that the instant application be amended as follows.

In The Specification

In the specification, at page 2, replace paragraph at lines 1-6 with the following paragraph: